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Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
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Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

Fee Description	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 or, for Reissues, each claim over 20 and more than in the original patent	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 or, for Reissues, each independent claim more than in the original patent	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180

Total Claims: _____ Extra Claims: _____ Fee (\$): _____ Fee Paid (\$): _____
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	First Named Inventor	Hung-Chi Wang	
	Art Unit	2851	
	Examiner Name	NGUYEN, JUDY	
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5 Filing Date: 07/04/2004

Appl No.: 10/710,363

Docket No.: LKSP0041USA

Art Unit: 2851

Examiner: Judy Nguyen

10 Title: PHOTOLITHOGRAPHY SYSTEM WITH VARIABLE SHUTTER AND
METHOD OF USING THE SAME

To: Commissioner for Patents

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Subject: Information disclosure statement under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and 37 C.F.R.
§1.97(b).

20 Dear Sir:

This is an Information Disclosure Statement in accordance with the duty to
disclose information material to patentability under 37 C.F.R. §1.56. The applicants
wish to make of record the documents listed on the accompanying form PTO/SB/08. It
25 is respectfully requested that the Examiner initials the cited references on the form and
that it be made of record in the application and that a copy of the initialed form be sent
to the applicants with the next communication from the Examiner.

Since the IDS is filed before the mailing date of a first Office action on the merits,
30 consideration of the information disclosure statement is hereby requested according to
37 C.F.R. §1.97(b).

That each item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was

first cited in an Office communication from the Taiwan Intellectual Property Office on March 25, 2005, which are no more than three months prior to the filing of the information disclosure statement. The applicant requests that the examiner consider the items contained in this IDS.

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According to the requirement set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.98 and M.P.E.P. 609, the applicants are submitting a copy of the cited reference (JP2001-358052A) and the English language abstract of JP2001-358052A hereinafter.

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The abstract of JP2001-358052A is hereby presented to fulfill the information disclosure statement requirement set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.98 and M.P.E.P. 609. The English language abstract of JP2001-358052A is listed as follows:

Purpose:

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To provide an apparatus for manufacturing a semiconductor capable of preventing a defective semiconductor element generated due to decrease in imaging caused by an optical change averaging or the like by eliminating the illuminance unevenness or change of an exposure amount without lowering transmittance and raising the efficiency of the apparatus.

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Constitution:

A shutter mechanism 10 for shielding the illumination light from a light source 1 is arranged on a surface of an original plate or a surface conjugate to the surface of the plate. The mechanism 10 has two shielding membranes of independently travelable preceding traveling membrane 11 and following traveling membrane 12. A slit width of a slit formed of both membranes 11 and 12 and running speeds of both membranes 11 and 12 are changed based on illuminance data of an exposure area 15 to be measured by an illuminance measuring sensor 8 to make the illuminance of the overall surface of the exposure surface uniform. A change of an exposure amount and the illuminance unevenness are eliminated without lowering the transmittance, and the

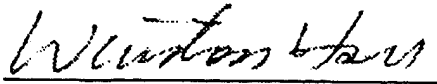
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cause of the defective semiconductor element is excluded.

Respectfully submitted,

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